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Director of Public Works

LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS, MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEM EMERGENCY REPAIR OF A 10-INCH-DIAMETER, HIGH PRESSURE WATER MAIN

On July 22, 2003, a leak occurred in the 10-inch-diameter water main across the Marina del Rey entrance channel between Bora Bora Way and the end of Fiji way. The leak resulted in an immediate reduction in the water system's carrying capacity to meet the fire flow requirements for the Marina del Rey, and as a result, the leak needed to be repaired as quickly as possible.

Prior to repairing the leak, we needed to obtain permits from five different agencies and, on September 10, 2003, A. A. Portanova was called to assist staff to repair the leak. The repair work was completed on September 29, 2003. While pressure testing the water main to put it back in service, a second leak was discovered in the crossing near Fiji Way. This leak was repaired by December 29, 2003. The total estimated repair cost of the two leaks was \$375,000. A. A. Portanova is one of three as-needed, on-call emergency contractors with contracts approved by your Board on December 1, 1998. We committed to reporting to your Board all emergency repairs carried out under these contracts.

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel Executive Office